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SUBJECT: JAPAN-CANADA COOPERATION IN SPACE ACTIVITIES

1. TWO CANADIAN SPACE OFFICIALS VISITED JAPAN IN MID-MAY AT INVITATION OF JAPAN'S SPACE ACTIVITIES COMMISSION (SAC). THEY ARE DR. J.H. CHAPMAN, ASSISTANT DEPUTY MINISTER, SPACE PROGRAMS, MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS, AND DR. L. W. MORLEY, DIRECTOR OF CANADA CENTER FOR REMOTE SENSING. SAC ANNUALLY INVITES FOREIGN SPACE OFFICIALS OR ENGINEERS TO PROMOTE MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING.

2. DURING THEIR STAY IN JAPAN, THEY WERE INTERVIEWED BY MIHON KEIZAI SHIMBUN REPORTERS AND ANSWERED QUESTIONS REGARDING PRESENT STATES OF SPACE ACTIVITIES IN CANADA AND PROSPECTS FOR JAPAN-CANADA COOPERATION IN SPACE ACTIVITIES.

3. IN THIS INTERVIEW, CANADIAN SPACE OFFICIALS INDICATED POSSIBILITY OF CANADA UTILIZING JAPANESE SERVICES FOR LAUNCHING SPACECRAFT FOR SCIENTIFIC UNCLASSIFIED

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EXPLORATION (SCIENTIFIC SATELLITE) IN EXCHANGE FOR JAPANESE PROCUREMENT OF CANADIAN SPACE HARDWARE AND KNOW-HOW. THEY SAID CANADA HAS SO FAR MANUFACTURED A TOTAL OF EIGHT SATELLITES AND HAD THEM LAUNCHED BY U.S. LAUNCHING SERVICES. THEY POINTED OUT THAT JAPAN'S N VEHICLE IS NOT POWERFUL ENOUGH TO LAUNCH CANADA'S COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITES.

4. ASKED ABOUT PROMISING AREAS FOR JAPAN-CANADA SPACE COOPERATION, THEY CITED, AS ONE CANDIDATE AREA, DEVELOPMENT OF NETWORK OF OCEAN MONITORING SATELLITES WHICH WOULD SERVE VARIETY OF PURPOSES INCLUDING RESOURCES SURVEY AND MANAGEMENT, POLLUTION MONITORING AND NAVIGATION CONTROL.

5. COMMENT: REMARKS MADE BY CANADIAN SPACE OFFICIALS IN TOKYO PRESS INTERVIEW INDICATE THAT CANADA IS MUCH INTERESTED IN EXPANDED COOPERATION WITH JAPAN IN SPACE FIELD, PARTICULARLY IN SCIENTIFIC EXPLORATION OF OUTER SPACE. CANADA ALREADY HAS CLOSE COOPERATIVE RELATIONS WITH INSTITUTE OF SPACE AND AERONAUTICAL SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF TOKYO, WHICH PLAYS LEADING ROLE IN JAPAN IN THIS FIELD. PROGRESS IN ITS SOUNDING ROCKET TECHNOLOGY HAS MADE POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENT OF LAUNCH VEHICLES CAPABLE OF LAUNCHING SMALL SATELLITES INTO ORBIT. INSTITUTE HAS SO FAR LAUNCHED INTO ORBIT THREE TEST SATELLITES AND THREE SCIENTIFIC SATELLITES, USING MU-TYPE ROCKETS. BY FISCAL YEAR 1981. INSTITUTE PLANS TO LAUNCH THREE MORE SCIENTIFIC SATELLITES. END COMMENT.
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